

STABILITY OF BRANCHED PULL-BACK PROJECTIVE FOLIATIONS

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ABSTRACT. We prove that, if $n \geq 3$, a singular foliation \mathcal{F} on \mathbb{P}^n which can be written as pull-back, where \mathcal{G} is a foliation in \mathbb{P}^2 of degree $d \geq 2$ with one or three invariant lines in general position and $f : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$, $\deg(f) = \nu \geq 2$, is an appropriated rational map, is stable under holomorphic deformations. As a consequence we conclude that the closure of the sets $\{\mathcal{F} = f^*(\mathcal{G})\}$ are new irreducible components of the space of holomorphic foliations of certain degrees.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let \mathcal{F} be a holomorphic singular foliation on \mathbb{P}^n of codimension 1, $\Pi_n : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$ be the natural projection and $\mathcal{F}^* = \Pi_n^*(\mathcal{F})$. It is known that \mathcal{F}^* can be defined by an integrable 1-form $\Omega = \sum_{j=0}^n A_j dz_j$ where the A_j 's are homogeneous polynomials of the same degree $k+1$ satisfying the Euler condition:

$$(1.1) \quad \sum_{j=0}^n z_j A_j \equiv 0.$$

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The singular set $S(\mathcal{F})$ is given by $S(\mathcal{F}) = \{A_0 = \dots = A_n = 0\}$ and is such that $\text{codim}(S(\mathcal{F})) \geq 2$. The integrability condition is given by

$$(1.2) \quad \Omega \wedge d\Omega = 0.$$

The form Ω will be called a homogeneous expression of \mathcal{F} . The degree of \mathcal{F} is, by definition, the number of tangencies (counted with multiplicities) of a generic linearly embedded \mathbb{P}^1 with \mathcal{F} . If we denote it by $\deg(\mathcal{F})$ then $\deg(\mathcal{F}) = k$. The set of homogeneous 1-forms which satisfy (1.1) and (1.2) will be denoted by $\hat{\Omega}^1(n, k+1)$. We denote the space of foliations of a fixed degree k in \mathbb{P}^n by $\mathbb{Fol}(k, n)$. Due to the integrability condition and the fact that $S(\mathcal{F})$ has codimension ≥ 2 , we see that $\mathbb{Fol}(k, n)$ can be identified with a Zariski's open set in the variety obtained by projectivizing the space of forms Ω which satisfy (1.1) and (1.2), i.e $\mathbb{P}\hat{\Omega}^1(n, k+1)$. It is in fact an intersection of quadrics. To obtain a satisfactory description of $\mathbb{Fol}(k, n)$ (for example, to talk about deformations) it would be reasonable to know the decomposition of $\mathbb{Fol}(k, n)$ in irreducible components. This leads us to the following:

Problem: *Describe and classify the irreducible components of $\mathbb{Fol}(k, n)$ $k \geq 3$ on \mathbb{P}^n , $n \geq 3$.*

One can exhibit some kind of list of components in every degree, but this list is incomplete. In the paper [C.LN1], the authors proved that the space of holomorphic codimension one foliations of degree 2 on \mathbb{P}^n , $n \geq 3$, has six irreducible components, which can be described by geometric and dynamic properties of a generic element. We refer the curious reader to [C.LN1] and [LN0] for a detailed description of them. There are known families of irreducible components in which the typical element is a pull-back of a foliation on \mathbb{P}^2 by a rational map. Given a generic rational map $f : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ of degree $\nu \geq 1$, it can be written in homogeneous coordinates as $f = (F_0, F_1, F_2)$ where F_0, F_1 and F_2 are homogeneous polynomials of degree ν . Now consider a foliation \mathcal{G} on \mathbb{P}^2 of degree $d \geq 2$. We can associate to the pair (f, \mathcal{G}) the pull-back foliation $\mathcal{F} = f^*\mathcal{G}$. The degree of the foliation \mathcal{F} is $\nu(d+2)-2$ as proved in [C.LN.E]. Denote by $PB(d, \nu; n)$ the closure in $\mathbb{Fol}(\nu(d+2)-2, n)$, $n \geq 3$ of the set of foliations \mathcal{F} of the form $f^*\mathcal{G}$. Since $(f, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow f^*\mathcal{G}$ is an algebraic parametrization of $PB(d, \nu; n)$ it follows that $PB(d, \nu; n)$ is an unirational irreducible algebraic subset of $\mathbb{Fol}(\nu(d+2)-2, n)$, $n \geq 3$. We have the following result:

Theorem 1.1. *$PB(d, \nu; n)$ is a unirational irreducible component of $\mathbb{Fol}(\nu(d+2)-2, n)$; $n \geq 3$, $\nu \geq 1$ and $d \geq 2$.*

The case $\nu = 1$, of linear pull-backs, was proven in [Ca.LN], whereas the case $\nu > 1$, of nonlinear pull-backs, was proved in [C.LN.E]. The search for new components of pull-back type was started in the Ph.D thesis of the author [CS]. There we began to consider branched rational maps and foliations with algebraic invariant sets of positive dimensions.

Let \mathcal{F} be a holomorphic foliation on \mathbb{P}^n which can be written as $\mathcal{F} = f^*(\mathcal{G})$, where \mathcal{G} is a foliation in \mathbb{P}^2 of degree $d \geq 2$ with three invariant lines in general position, say $(XYZ) = 0$, and $f : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$, $\deg(f) = \nu \geq 2$, $f = (F_0^\alpha : F_1^\beta : F_2^\gamma)$. Denote by $PB(k, \nu, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ the closure in $\mathbb{Fol}(k, n)$, $n \geq 3$ of the set of foliations \mathcal{F} of the form $f^*\mathcal{G}$. The degree of the foliation \mathcal{F} is $k = \nu \left[(d-1) + \frac{1}{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\beta} + \frac{1}{\gamma} \right] - 2$, as proved in [CS]. Since $(f, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow f^*\mathcal{G}$ is an algebraic parametrization of

$PB(k, \nu, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ it follows that $PB(k, \nu, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ is an unirational irreducible algebraic subset of $\text{Fol}(k, n)$, $n \geq 3$. In [CS] we proved the following result:

Theorem 1.2. *$PB(k, \nu, \alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ is a unirational irreducible component of $\text{Fol}(k, n)$ for all $n \geq 3$, $\deg(F_0).\alpha = \deg(F_1).\beta = \deg(F_2).\gamma = \nu \geq 2$, $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathbb{N}^3$ such that $1 < \alpha < \beta < \gamma$ and $d \geq 2$.*

In this paper we continue looking for new components of branched pull back-type. In this direction will extend the previous result to case where $\alpha = \beta \geq 1$. We observe that in the case $\alpha = \beta > 1$ we continue dealing with foliations in \mathbb{P}^2 with three invariant lines in general position. On the other hand, in the situation $\alpha = \beta = 1$ we need to consider another set of foliations in \mathbb{P}^2 . That is, we need foliations with one invariant line. Let us describe this last case: Let \mathcal{G} be a foliation on \mathbb{P}^2 with one invariant straight line, say ℓ . Consider coordinates $(X, Y, Z) \in \mathbb{C}^3$ such that $\ell = \Pi_2(Z = 0)$, where $\Pi_2 : \mathbb{C}^3 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ is the natural projection. The foliation \mathcal{G} can be represented in these coordinates by a polynomial 1-form of the type $\Omega = ZA(X, Y, Z)dX + ZB(X, Y, Z)dY + C(X, Y, Z)dZ$ where by (1) $XA + YB + C = 0$. Let $f : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ be a rational map represented in the coordinates $(X, Y, Z) \in \mathbb{C}^3$ and $W \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1}$ by $\tilde{f} = (F_0, F_1, F_2^\gamma)$ where F_0, F_1 and $F_2 \in \mathbb{C}[W]$ are homogeneous polynomials without common factors satisfying

$$\deg(F_0) = \deg(F_1) = \gamma.\deg(F_2) = \nu.$$

The pull back foliation $f^*(\mathcal{G})$ is then defined by

$$\tilde{\eta}_{[f, \mathcal{G}]}(W) = [F_2(A \circ F)dF_0 + F_2(B \circ F)dF_1 + \gamma(C \circ F)dF_2],$$

where each coefficient of $\tilde{\eta}_{[f, \mathcal{G}]}(W)$ has degree $\Gamma = \nu \left[d + 1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \right] - 1$. The crucial point here is that the mapping f sends the hypersurface $(F_2 = 0)$ contained in its critical set over the line invariant by \mathcal{G} .

Let $PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, \alpha, \gamma)$ be the closure in $\text{Fol}(\Gamma - 1, n)$ of the set $\{[\tilde{\eta}_{[f, \mathcal{G}]}]\}$. It is an unirational irreducible algebraic subset of $\text{Fol}(\Gamma - 1, n)$. We will return to this point in Section 4. We observe that the arguments for the cases $\alpha = \beta = 1$ and $\alpha = \beta > 1$ are similar. Hence we can unify the two situations in a unique statement. The main result of this work is:

Theorem A. *$PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, \alpha, \gamma)$ is a unirational irreducible component of $\text{Fol}(\Gamma - 1, n)$ for all $n \geq 3$, $\deg(F_0).\alpha = \deg(F_1).\alpha = \deg(F_2).\gamma = \nu \geq 2$, such that $\alpha \geq 1$, $\gamma \geq 2$, $\nu \geq 2$ and $d \geq 2$ are integers.*

2. BRANCHED RATIONAL MAPS

Let $f : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ be a rational map and $\tilde{f} : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3$ is its natural lifting in homogeneous coordinates. The *indeterminacy locus* of f is, by definition, the set $I(f) = \Pi_n(\tilde{f}^{-1}(0))$. We characterize the set of rational maps used throughout this text as follows:

Definition 2.1. We denote by $BRM(n, \nu, \alpha, \gamma)$ the set of maps $\{f : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2\}$ of degree ν given by $f = (F_0^\alpha : F_1^\alpha : F_2^\gamma)$ where F_0, F_1 and F_2 are homogeneous polynomials without common factors, with $\deg(F_0).\alpha = \deg(F_1).\alpha = \deg(F_2).\gamma = \nu$, where $\nu \geq 2$, $\alpha \geq 1$ and $\gamma \geq 2$ are integers.

Let us fix some coordinates (z_0, \dots, z_n) on \mathbb{C}^{n+1} and (X, Y, Z) on \mathbb{C}^3 and denote by $(F_0^\alpha, F_1^\alpha, F_2^\gamma)$ the components of f relative to these coordinates. Let us note that the indeterminacy locus $I(f)$ is the intersection of the three hypersurfaces $(F_0 = 0)$, $(F_1 = 0)$ and $(F_2 = 0)$.

Definition 2.2. We say that $f \in BRM(n, \nu, \alpha, \gamma)$ is *generic* if for all $p \in \tilde{f}^{-1}(0) \setminus \{0\}$ we have $dF_0(p) \wedge dF_1(p) \wedge dF_2(p) \neq 0$.

This is equivalent to saying that $f \in BRM(n, \nu, \alpha, \gamma)$ is *generic* if $I(f)$ is the transverse intersection of the 3 hypersurfaces $(F_0 = 0)$, $(F_1 = 0)$ and $(F_2 = 0)$. As a consequence we have that the set $I(f)$ is smooth. For instance, if $n = 3$, f is generic and $\deg(f) = \nu$, then by Bezout's theorem $I(f)$ consists of $\frac{\nu^3}{\alpha^2\gamma}$ distinct points with multiplicity $\alpha^2\gamma$. If $n = 4$, then $I(f)$ is a smooth connected algebraic curve in \mathbb{P}^4 of degree $\frac{\nu^3}{\alpha^2\gamma}$. In general, for $n \geq 4$, $I(f)$ is a smooth connected algebraic submanifold of \mathbb{P}^n of degree $\frac{\nu^3}{\alpha^2\gamma}$ and codimension three.

Denote $\nabla F_k = (\frac{\partial F_k}{\partial z_0}, \dots, \frac{\partial F_k}{\partial z_n})$. Consider the derivative matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha \begin{pmatrix} F_0^{\alpha-1} \end{pmatrix} \nabla F_0 \\ \alpha \begin{pmatrix} F_1^{\alpha-1} \end{pmatrix} \nabla F_1 \\ \gamma \begin{pmatrix} F_2^{\gamma-1} \end{pmatrix} \nabla F_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The critical set of \tilde{f} is given by the points of $\mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus 0$ where $\text{rank}(M) \leq 3$; it is the union of two sets. The first is given by the set of $\{P \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus 0\} = X_1$ such that the rank of the following matrix

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} \nabla F_0 \\ \nabla F_1 \\ \nabla F_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

is smaller than 3. The second is the subset

$$X_2 = \left\{ P \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \setminus \{0\} \mid (F_0^{\alpha-1}) (F_1^{\alpha-1}) (F_2^{\gamma-1}) (P) = 0 \right\}.$$

Denote $P(f) = \Pi_n(X_1 \cup X_2)$. The set of generic maps will be denoted by $Gen(n, \nu, \alpha, \gamma)$. We state the following result whose proof is standard in algebraic geometry:

Proposition 2.3. *Gen(n, ν, α, γ) is a Zariski dense subset of BRM(n, ν, α, γ).*

Once the case of foliations which are pull-backs of three invariant straight have been already discussed in [CS]. We will concentrate only on the case where $\alpha = 1$. The case $\alpha > 1$ is obtained following the same ideas.

3. FOLIATIONS WITH ONE INVARIANT LINE

3.1. Basic facts. Denote by $I_1(d, 2)$ the set of the holomorphic foliations on \mathbb{P}^2 of degree $d \geq 2$ that leaves the line $Z = 0$ invariant. We observe that any foliation which has 1 invariant straight line can be carried to one of these by a linear automorphism of \mathbb{P}^2 . The relation $XA + YB + C = 0$ enables to parametrize $I(d, 2)$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned} H^0(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(d-1))^{\times 2} &\rightarrow H^0(\mathbb{P}^2, \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}^2}(d-1))^{\times 3} \\ (A, B) &\mapsto (A, B, -XA - YB). \end{aligned}$$

We let the group of linear automorphisms of \mathbb{P}^2 act on $I_1(d, 2)$. After this procedure we obtain a set of foliations of degree d that we denote by $Il_1(d, 2)$.

We are interested in making deformations of foliations and for our purposes we need a subset of $Il_1(d, 2)$ with good properties (foliations having few algebraic invariant curves and only hyperbolic singularities). We explain this properties in detail. Let $q \in U$ be an isolated singularity of a foliation \mathcal{G} defined on an open subset of $U \subset \mathbb{C}^2$. We say that q is *nondegenerate* if there exists a holomorphic vector field X tangent to \mathcal{G} in a neighborhood of q such that $DX(q)$ is nonsingular. In particular q is an isolated singularity of X . Let q be a nondegenerate singularity of \mathcal{G} . The *characteristic numbers* of q are the quotients λ and λ^{-1} of the eigenvalues of $DX(q)$, which do not depend on the vector field X chosen. If $\lambda \notin \mathbb{Q}_+$ then \mathcal{G} exhibits exactly two (smooth and transverse) *local separatrices* at q , S_q^+ and S_q^- with eigenvalues λ_q^+ and λ_q^- and which are tangent to the characteristic directions of a vector field X . The characteristic numbers (also called Camacho-Sad index) of these local separatrices are given by

$$I(\mathcal{G}, S_q^+) = \frac{\lambda_q^-}{\lambda_q^+} \text{ and } I(\mathcal{G}, S_q^-) = \frac{\lambda_q^+}{\lambda_q^-}.$$

The singularity is *hyperbolic* if the characteristic numbers are nonreal. We introduce the following spaces of foliations:

- (1) $ND(d, 2) = \{\mathcal{G} \in \text{Fol}(d, 2); \text{ the singularities of } \mathcal{G} \text{ are nondegenerate}\},$
- (2) $\mathcal{H}(d, 2) = \{\mathcal{G} \in ND(d, 2); \text{ any characteristic number } \lambda \text{ of } \mathcal{G} \text{ satisfies } \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}\}.$

It is a well-known fact [LN2] that $\mathcal{H}(d, 2)$ contains an open and dense subset of $\text{Fol}(d, 2)$. Denote by $A(d) = Il_1(d, 2) \cap \mathcal{H}(d, 2)$. Observe that $A(d)$ is a Zariski dense subset of $Il_1(d, 2)$. Concerning the set $ND(d, 2)$, we have the following result, proved in [LN2].

Proposition 3.1. *Let $\mathcal{G}_0 \in ND(d, 2)$. Then $\#Sing(\mathcal{G}_0) = d^2 + d + 1 = N(d)$. Moreover if $Sing(\mathcal{G}_0) = \{p_1^0, \dots, p_N^0\}$ where $p_i^0 \neq p_j^0$ if $i \neq j$, then there are connected neighborhoods $U_j \ni p_j$, pairwise disjoint, and holomorphic maps $\phi_j : \mathcal{U} \subset ND(d, 2) \rightarrow U_j$, where $\mathcal{U} \ni \mathcal{G}_0$ is an open neighborhood, such that for $\mathcal{G} \in \mathcal{U}$, $(Sing(\mathcal{G}) \cap U_j) = \phi_j(\mathcal{G})$ is a nondegenerate singularity. In particular, $ND(d, 2)$ is open in $\text{Fol}(2, d)$. Moreover, if $\mathcal{G}_0 \in \mathcal{H}(d, 2)$ then the two local separatrices as well as their associated eigenvalues depend analytically on \mathcal{G} .*

In the paper [LN.S.Sc] which is related to the topological rigidity of foliations on \mathbb{P}^2 in the spirit of Ilyashenko's works. The authors have proved the following useful result see [LN.S.Sc, Theorem 3, p.385].

Theorem 3.2. *Let $d \geq 2$. There exists a non empty open and dense subset $M(d) \subset A(d)$, such that if $\mathcal{G} \in M(d)$ then the only algebraic invariant curve of \mathcal{G} is the line.*

4. RAMIFIED PULL-BACK COMPONENTS - GENERIC CONDITIONS

Let us fix a coordinate system (X, Y, Z) on \mathbb{P}^2 and denote by ℓ the straight line that corresponds to the plane $Z = 0$ in \mathbb{C}^3 , respectively. Let us denote by $\tilde{M}(d)$ the subset $M(d) \cap I_1(d, 2)$.

Definition 4.1. Let $f \in \text{Gen}(n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$. We say that $\mathcal{G} \in M(d)$ is in generic position with respect to f if $[\text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}) \cap Y_2] = \emptyset$, where

$$Y_2(f) = Y_2 := \Pi_2 \left[\tilde{f} \{w \in \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \mid dF_0(w) \wedge dF_1(w) \wedge dF_2(w) = 0\} \right]$$

and ℓ is \mathcal{G} -invariant.

In this case we say that (f, \mathcal{G}) is a generic pair. In particular, when we fix a map $f \in \text{Gen}(n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ the set $\mathcal{A} = \{\mathcal{G} \in M(d) \mid \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}) \cap Y_2(f) = \emptyset\}$ is an open and dense subset in $M(d)$ [LN.Sc], since $VC(f)$ is an algebraic curve in \mathbb{P}^2 . The set $U_1 := \{(f, \mathcal{G}) \in \text{Gen}(n, \nu, 1, \gamma) \times \tilde{M}(d) \mid \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}) \cap Y_2(f) = \emptyset\}$ is an open and dense subset of $\text{Gen}(n, \nu, 1, \gamma) \times \tilde{M}(d)$. Hence the set $\mathcal{W} := \{\tilde{\eta}_{[f, \mathcal{G}]} \mid (f, \mathcal{G}) \in U_1\}$ is an open and dense subset of $PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, 1, \gamma)$.

Proposition 4.2. *If \mathcal{F} comes from a generic pair, then the degree of \mathcal{F} is*

$$\nu \left[d + 1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \right] - 2.$$

The proof of this fact can be obtained as in the case treated in [CS].

Consider the set of foliations $Il_1(d, 2)$, $d \geq 2$, and the following map:

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi : BRM(n, \nu, 1, \gamma) \times Il_1(d, 2) &\rightarrow \mathbb{Fol}(\Gamma - 1, n) \\ (f, \mathcal{G}) &\rightarrow f^*(\mathcal{G}) = \Phi(f, \mathcal{G}). \end{aligned}$$

The image of Φ can be written as:

$$\Phi(f, \mathcal{G}) = [F_2(A \circ F) dF_0 + F_2(B \circ F) dF_1 + \gamma(C \circ F) dF_2].$$

Recall that $\Phi(f, \mathcal{G}) = \tilde{\eta}_{[f, \mathcal{G}]}$. More precisely, let $PB(\Gamma - 1, n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ be the closure in $\mathbb{Fol}(\Gamma - 1, n)$ of the set of foliations \mathcal{F} of the form $f^*(\mathcal{G})$, where $f \in BRM(n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ and $\mathcal{G} \in Il_1(2, d)$. Since $BRM(n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ and $Il_1(2, d)$ are irreducible algebraic sets and the map $(f, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow f^*(\mathcal{G}) \in \mathbb{Fol}(\Gamma - 1, n)$ is an algebraic parametrization of $PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, 1, \gamma)$, we have that $PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ is an irreducible algebraic subset of $\mathbb{Fol}(\Gamma - 1, n)$. Moreover, the set of generic pull-back foliations $\{\mathcal{F}; \mathcal{F} = f^*(\mathcal{G}), \text{ where } (f, \mathcal{G}) \text{ is a generic pair}\}$ is an open (not Zariski) and dense subset of $PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ for $\gamma \geq 2 \in \mathbb{N}$, $\nu \geq 2 \in \mathbb{N}$ and $d \geq 2 \in \mathbb{N}$.

5. DESCRIPTION OF GENERIC RAMIFIED PULL-BACK FOLIATIONS ON \mathbb{P}^n

5.1. The Kupka set. Let τ be a singularity of \mathcal{G} and $V_\tau = \overline{f^{-1}(\tau)}$. If (f, \mathcal{G}) is a generic pair then $V_\tau \setminus I(f)$ is contained in the Kupka set of \mathcal{F} . As an example we detail the case where τ is a singularity over the invariant line, say $\tau = [1 : 0 : 0]$. Fix $p \in V_\tau \setminus I(f)$. There exist local analytic coordinate systems such that $f(x, y, z) = (x, y^\gamma) = (u, v)$. Suppose that \mathcal{G} is represented by the 1-form ω ; the hypothesis of \mathcal{G} being of Hyperbolic-type implies that we can suppose $\omega(u, v) = \lambda_1 u(1 + R(u, v))dv - \lambda_2 v du$, where $\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$. We obtain $\tilde{\omega}(x, y) = f^*(\omega) = (y^{\gamma-1})(\lambda_1 \gamma x(1 + R(x, y^\gamma))dy - \lambda_2 y dx) = (y^{\gamma-1})\tilde{\omega}(x, y)$ and so $d\tilde{\omega}(p) \neq 0$. Therefore if p is as before it belongs to the Kupka-set of \mathcal{F} . For the other points the argumentation is analogous. This is the well known Kupka-Reeb phenomenon, and we say that p is contained in the Kupka-set of \mathcal{F} . It is known that this local product structure is stable under small perturbations of \mathcal{F} for instance, see [K],[G.LN].

5.2. Generalized Kupka and quasi-homogeneous singularities. In this section we will recall the quasi-homogeneous singularities of an integrable holomorphic 1-form. They appear in the indeterminacy set of f and play a central role in great part of the proof of Theorem B.

Definition 5.1. Let ω be an holomorphic integrable 1-form defined in a neighborhood of $p \in \mathbb{C}^3$. We say that p is a Generalized Kupka(GK) singularity of ω if $\omega(p) = 0$ and either $d\omega(p) \neq 0$ or p is an isolated zero of $d\omega$.

Let ω be an integrable 1-form in a neighborhood of $p \in \mathbb{C}^3$ and μ be a holomorphic 3-form such that $\mu(p) \neq 0$. Then $d\omega = i_{\mathcal{Z}}(\mu)$ where \mathcal{Z} is a holomorphic vector field.

Definition 5.2. We say that p is a quasi-homogeneous singularity of ω if p is an isolated singularity of \mathcal{Z} and the germ of \mathcal{Z} at p is nilpotent, that is, if $L = D\mathcal{Z}(p)$ then all eigenvalues of L are equals to zero.

This definition is justified by the following result that can be found in [LN2] or [C.CA.G.LN]:

Theorem 5.3. *Let p be a quasi-homogeneous singularity of an holomorphic integrable 1-form ω . Then there exists two holomorphic vector fields S and \mathcal{Z} and a local chart $U := (x_0, x_1, x_2)$ around p such that $x_0(p) = x_1(p) = x_2(p) = 0$ and:*

- (a) $\omega = \lambda i_S i_{\mathcal{Z}}(dx_0 \wedge dx_1 \wedge dx_2)$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{Q}_+$ $d\omega = i_{\mathcal{Z}}(dx_0 \wedge dx_1 \wedge dx_2)$ and $\mathcal{Z} = (\text{rot}(\omega))$;
- (b) $S = p_0 x_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_0} + p_1 x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + p_2 x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}$, where, p_0, p_1, p_2 are positive integers with $\text{g.c.d.}(p_0, p_1, p_2) = 1$;
- (c) p is an isolated singularity for \mathcal{Z} , \mathcal{Z} is polynomial in the chart $U := (x_0, x_1, x_2)$ and $[S, \mathcal{Z}] = \ell \mathcal{Z}$, where $\ell \geq 1$.

Definition 5.4. Let p be a quasi-homogeneous singularity of ω . We say that it is of the type $(p_0 : p_1 : p_2; \ell)$, if for some local chart and vector fields S and \mathcal{Z} the properties (a), (b) and (c) of the Theorem 5.3 are satisfied.

We can now state the stability result, whose proof can be found in [C.CA.G.LN]:

Proposition 5.5. *Let $(\omega_s)_{s \in \Sigma}$ be a holomorphic family of integrable 1-forms defined in a neighborhood of a compact ball $B = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^3; |z| \leq \rho\}$, where Σ is a neighborhood of $0 \in \mathbb{C}^k$. Suppose that all singularities of ω_0 in B are GK and that $\text{sing}(d\omega_0) \subset \text{int}(B)$. Then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that if $s \in B(0, \epsilon) \subset \Sigma$, then all singularities of ω_s in B are GK. Moreover, if $0 \in B$ is a quasi-homogeneous singularity of type $(p_0 : p_1 : p_2; \ell)$ then there exists a holomorphic map $B(0, \epsilon) \ni s \mapsto z(s)$, such that $z(0) = 0$ and $z(s)$ is a GK singularity of ω_s of the same type (quasi-homogeneous of the type $(p_0 : p_1 : p_2; \ell)$, according to the case).*

Let us describe $\mathcal{F} = f^*(\mathcal{G})$ in a neighborhood of a point $p \in I(f)$. It is easy to show that there exists a local chart $(U, (x_0, x_1, x_2, y) \in \mathbb{C}^3 \times \mathbb{C}^{n-2})$ around p such that the lifting \tilde{f} of f is of the form $\tilde{f}|_U = (x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) : U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3$. In particular $\mathcal{F}|_{U(p)}$ is represented by the 1-form

$$(5.1) \quad \eta(x_0, x_1, x_2, y) = x_2 \cdot A(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) dx_0 + x_2 \cdot B(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) dx_1 \\ + \gamma C(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) dx_2.$$

Let us now obtain the vector field S as in Theorem 5.3. Consider the radial vector field $R = X \frac{\partial}{\partial X} + Y \frac{\partial}{\partial Y} + Z \frac{\partial}{\partial Z}$. Note that in the coordinate system above it transforms into

$$x_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_0} + x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \frac{1}{\gamma} x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}.$$

Since the eigenvalues of S have to be integers, after a multiplication by γ we obtain

$$S = \gamma x_0 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_0} + \gamma x_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + x_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}.$$

Let us concentrate in the case $n = 3$.

Lemma 5.6. *If η and S are as above then we have $L_S \eta = [1 + \gamma(1 + d)]\eta$.*

Proof. We just have to use Cartan's formula for the Lie's derivative, $L_S \eta = i_S d\eta + d(i_S \eta)$. The details are left for the reader. \square

Lemma 5.7. *If $p \in I(f)$ then p is a quasi-homogeneous singularity of η .*

Proof. First of all note that $i_S \eta = 0$. From the computations obtained in lemma 5.6, we have that $L_S \eta = m\eta$, where $m = [1 + \gamma(1 + d)]$. This implies that the singular set of η is invariant under the flow of S . The vector field \mathcal{Z} such that $\eta = i_S i_{\mathcal{Z}}(dx_0 \wedge dx_1 \wedge dx_2)$ is given by

$$\mathcal{Z} = \mathcal{Z}_0(x_0, x_1, x_2) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_0} + \mathcal{Z}_1(x_0, x_1, x_2) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_1} + \mathcal{Z}_2(x_0, x_1, x_2) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_2}$$

where for $i = 0, 1$ we have $\mathcal{Z}_i(x_0, x_1, x_2) = \tilde{A}_i(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma)$ and $\mathcal{Z}_2(x_0, x_1, x_2) = x_2 \cdot \tilde{A}_2(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma)$ moreover for $i = 0, 1$ the polynomials $\tilde{A}_i(0, 0, 0) = 0$ and $\tilde{A}_2(0, 0, 0) = 0$. We observe that these polynomials are not unique. On the other hand, they have to satisfy the following relations:

$$\begin{aligned} A(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) &= \gamma x_1 \tilde{A}_2(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) - \tilde{A}_1(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) \\ B(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) &= \tilde{A}_0(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) - \gamma x_0 \tilde{A}_2(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) \\ C(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) &= x_0 \tilde{A}_1(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) - x_1 \tilde{A}_1(x_0, x_1, x_2^\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

We must show that the origin is an isolated singularity of \mathcal{Z} and all eigenvalues of $D\mathcal{Z}(0)$ are 0. By straightforward computation we find that the Jacobian matrix $D\mathcal{Z}(0)$ is the null matrix, hence all its eigenvalues are null. Since all singular curves of \mathcal{F} in a neighborhood $(U, (x_0, x_1, x_2))$ of 0 are of Kupka type, as proved in Section 5.1, it follows that the origin is an isolated singularity of \mathcal{Z} . Note that the unique singularities of η in the neighborhood $(U, (x_0, x_1, x_2))$ of 0 come from $\tilde{f}^* \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G})$; this follows from the fact that $\text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}) \cap (VC(f) \setminus \ell) = \emptyset$. On the other hand we have seen that $(f)^{-1}(\text{sing}(\mathcal{G})) \setminus I(f)$ is contained in the Kupka set of \mathcal{F} . Hence the point p is an isolated singularity of $d\eta$ and thus an isolated singularity of \mathcal{Z} . \square

As a consequence, in the case $n = 3$ any $p \in I(f)$ is a quasi-homogeneous singularity of type $[\gamma : \gamma : 1]$. In the case $n \geq 4$ the argument is analogous. Moreover, in this case there will be a local structure product near any point $p \in I(f)$. In fact in the case $n \geq 4$ we have:

Corollary 5.8. *Let (f, \mathcal{G}) be a generic pair. Let $p \in I(f)$ and η an 1-form defining \mathcal{F} in a neighborhood of p . Then there exists a 3-plane $\Pi \subset \mathbb{C}^n$ such that $d(\eta)|_\Pi$ has an isolated singularity at $0 \in \Pi$.*

Proof. Immediate from the local product structure. \square

5.3. Deformations of the singular set. In this section we give some auxiliary lemmas which assist in the proof of Theorem A. We have constructed an open and dense subset \mathcal{W} inside $PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, 1, 1, \gamma)$ containing the generic pull-back foliations. We will show that for any foliation $\mathcal{F} \in \mathcal{W}$ and any germ of a holomorphic family of foliations $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \in (\mathbb{C}, 0)}$ such that $\mathcal{F}_0 = \mathcal{F}$ we have $\mathcal{F}_t \in PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, 1, 1, \gamma)$ for all $t \in (\mathbb{C}, 0)$.

Lemma 5.9. *There exists a germ of isotopy of class C^∞ , $(I(t))_{t \in (\mathbb{C}, 0)}$ having the following properties:*

- (i) $I(0) = I(f_0)$ and $I(t)$ is algebraic and smooth of codimension 3 for all $t \in (\mathbb{C}, 0)$.
- (ii) For all $p \in I(t)$, there exists a neighborhood $U(p, t) = U$ of p such that \mathcal{F}_t is equivalent to the product of a regular foliation of codimension 3 and a singular foliation $\mathcal{F}_{p,t}$ of codimension one given by the 1-form $\eta_{p,t}$.

Remark 5.10. The family of 1-forms $\eta_{p,t}$, represents the quasi-homogeneous foliation given by the Proposition 5.5.

Proof. See [LN0, lema 2.3.2, p.81]. \square

Remark 5.11. In the case $n > 3$, the variety $I(t)$ is connected since $I(f_0)$ is connected. The local product structure in $I(t)$ implies that the transversal type of \mathcal{F}_t is constant. In particular, $\mathcal{F}_{p,t}$, does not depend on $p \in I(t)$. In the case $n = 3$, $I(t) = p_1(t), \dots, p_j(t), \dots, p_{\frac{\nu-3}{\gamma}}(t)$ and we can not guarantee a priori that $\mathcal{F}_{p_i,t} = \mathcal{F}_{p_j,t}$, if $i \neq j$.

The singular set of \mathcal{G}_0 can be divided in two subsets $\mathcal{S}_W(\mathcal{G}_0)$, $\mathcal{S}_\ell(\mathcal{G}_0)$. We know that $\#\mathcal{S}_W(\mathcal{G}_0) = d^2$, $\#\mathcal{S}_\ell(\mathcal{G}_0) = (d + 1)$. Let $\tau \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)$ and $K(\mathcal{F}_0) = \bigcup_{\tau \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)} V_\tau \setminus I(f_0)$ where $V_\tau = f_0^{-1}(\tau)$. As in Lemma 5.9, let us consider a representative of the germ $(\mathcal{F}_t)_t$, defined on a disc $D_\delta := (|t| < \delta)$.

Lemma 5.12. *There exist $\epsilon > 0$ and smooth isotopies $\phi_\tau : D_\epsilon \times V_\tau \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^n$, $\tau \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)$, such that $V_\tau(t) = \phi_\tau(\{t\} \times V_\tau)$ satisfies:*

- (a) $V_\tau(t)$ is an algebraic subvariety of codimension two of \mathbb{P}^n and $V_\tau(0) = V_\tau$ for all $\tau \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)$ and for all $t \in D_\epsilon$.
- (b) $I(t) \subset V_\tau(t)$ for all $\tau \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)$ and for all $t \in D_\epsilon$. Moreover, if $\tau \neq \tau'$, and $\tau, \tau' \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)$, we have $V_\tau(t) \cap V_{\tau'}(t) = I(t)$ for all $t \in D_\epsilon$ and the intersection is transversal.
- (c) $V_\tau(t) \setminus I(t)$ is contained in the Kupka-set of \mathcal{F}_t for all $\tau \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)$ and for all $t \in D_\epsilon$. In particular, the transversal type of \mathcal{F}_t is constant along $V_\tau(t) \setminus I(t)$.

Proof. See [LN0, lema 2.3.3, p.83]. \square

6. PROOF OF THEOREM A

6.1. End of the proof of Theorem A. We divide the end of the proof of Theorem A in two parts. In the first part we construct a family of rational maps $f_t : \mathbb{P}^n \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$, $f_t \in \text{Gen}(n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$, such that $(f_t)_{t \in D_\epsilon}$ is a deformation of f_0 and the subvarieties V_τ , $\tau \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0)$, are fibers of f_t for all t . In the second part we show that there exists a family of foliations $(\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \in D_\epsilon}$, $\mathcal{G}_t \in \mathcal{A}$ (see Section 4) such that $\mathcal{F}_t = f_t^*(\mathcal{G}_t)$ for all $t \in D_\epsilon$.

6.1.1. *Part 1.* Let us define the family of candidates that will be a deformation of the mapping f_0 . Set $V_a = \overline{f_0^{-1}(a)}$, $V_b = \overline{f_0^{-1}(b)}$, $V_c = \overline{f_0^{-1}(c)}$, where $a = [0 : 0 : 1]$, $b = [0 : 1 : 0]$ and $c = [1 : 0 : 0]$ and denote by $V_{\tau^*} = \overline{f_0^{-1}(\tau^*)}$, where $\tau^* \in \text{Sing}(\mathcal{G}_0) \setminus \{a, b, c\}$. In this coordinate system the points b and c belong to ℓ .

Proposition 6.1. *Let $(\mathcal{F}_t)_{t \in D_\epsilon}$ be a deformation of $\mathcal{F}_0 = f_0^*(\mathcal{G}_0)$, where (f_0, \mathcal{G}_0) is a generic pair, with $\mathcal{G}_0 \in \mathcal{A}$, $f_0 \in \text{Gen}(n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ and $\deg(f_0) = \nu \geq 2$. Then there exists a deformation $(f_t)_{t \in D_\epsilon}$ of f_0 in $\text{Gen}(n, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ such that:*

- (i) $V_a(t), V_b(t)$ and $V_c(t)$ are fibers of $(f_t)_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$.
- (ii) $I(t) = I(f_t), \forall t \in D_{\epsilon'}$.

Proof. Let $\tilde{f}_0 = (F_0, F_1, F_2^\gamma) : \mathbb{C}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3$ be the homogeneous expression of f_0 . Then V_c, V_b , and V_a appear as the complete intersections $(F_1 = F_2 = 0)$, $(F_0 = F_2 = 0)$, and $(F_0 = F_1 = 0)$ respectively. Hence $I(f_0) = V_a \cap V_b = V_a \cap V_c = V_b \cap V_c$. It follows from [Ser, section 4.6, p.235-236] that $V_a(t)$ is a complete intersection, say $V_a(t) = (F_0(t) = F_1(t) = 0)$, where $(F_0(t))_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$ and $(F_1(t))_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$ are deformations of F_0 and F_1 and $D_{\epsilon'}$ is a possibly smaller neighborhood of 0. Moreover, $F_0(t) = 0$ and $F_1(t) = 0$ meet transversely along $V_a(t)$. In the same way, it is possible to define $V_c(t)$ and $V_b(t)$ as complete intersections, say $(\hat{F}_1(t) = F_2(t) = 0)$ and $(\hat{F}_0(t) = \hat{F}_2(t) = 0)$ respectively, where $(F_j(t))_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$ and $(\hat{F}_j(t))_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$ are deformations of F_j , $0 \leq j \leq 2$.

We will prove that we can find polynomials $P_0(t), P_1(t)$ and $P_2(t)$ such that $V_c(t) = (P_1(t) = P_2(t) = 0)$, $V_b(t) = (P_0(t) = P_2(t) = 0)$ and $V_a(t) = (P_0(t) = P_1(t) = 0)$. Observe first that since $F_0(t), F_1(t)$ and $F_2(t)$ are near F_0, F_1 and F_2 respectively, they meet as a regular complete intersection at:

$$J(t) = (F_0(t) = F_1(t) = F_2(t) = 0) = V_a(t) \cap (F_2(t) = 0).$$

Hence $J(t) \cap (\hat{F}_1(t) = 0) = V_c(t) \cap V_a(t) = I(t)$, which implies that $I(t) \subset J(t)$. Since $I(t)$ and $J(t)$ have $\frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}$ points, we have that $I(t) = J(t)$ for all $t \in D_{\epsilon'}$.

Remark 6.2. *In the case $n \geq 4$, both sets are codimension-three smooth and connected submanifolds of \mathbb{P}^n , implying again that $I(t) = J(t)$. In particular, we obtain that*

$$I(t) = (F_0(t) = F_1(t) = F_2(t) = 0) \subset (\hat{F}_j(t) = 0), 0 \leq j \leq 2.$$

We will use the following version of Noether's Normalization Theorem (see [LN0] p 86):

Lemma 6.3. *(Noether's Theorem) Let $G_0, \dots, G_k \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_m]$ be homogeneous polynomials where $0 \leq k \leq m$ and $m \geq 2$, and $X = (G_0 = \dots = G_k = 0)$. Suppose that the set $Y := \{p \in X \mid dG_0(p) \wedge \dots \wedge dG_k(p) = 0\}$ is either 0 or \emptyset . If $G \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_m]$ satisfies $G|_X \equiv 0$, then $G \in \langle G_0, \dots, G_k \rangle$.*

Take $k = 2$, $G_0 = F_0(t)$, $G_1 = F_1(t)$ and $G_2 = F_2(t)$. Using Noether's Theorem with $Y = 0$ and the fact that all polynomials involved are homogeneous, we have $\hat{F}_1(t) \in \langle F_0(t), F_1(t), F_2(t) \rangle$. Since $\deg(F_0(t)) = \deg(F_1(t)) > \deg(F_2(t))$, we conclude that $\hat{F}_1(t) = F_1(t) + g(t)F_2(t)$, where $g(t)$ is a homogeneous polynomial of degree $\deg(F_1(t)) - \deg(F_2(t))$. Moreover observe that $V_c(t) = V(\hat{F}_1(t), F_2(t)) = V(F_1(t), F_2(t))$, where $V(H_1, H_2)$ denotes the projective algebraic variety defined by $(H_1 = H_2 = 0)$. Similarly for $V_b(t)$ we have that $\hat{F}_2(t) \in \langle F_0(t), F_1(t), F_2(t) \rangle$. On the other hand, since $\hat{F}_2(t)$ has the lowest degree, we can assume that $\hat{F}_2(t) = F_2(t)$.

In an analogous way we have that $\hat{F}_0(t) = F_0(t) + m(t)F_1(t) + n(t)F_2(t)$ for the polynomial $\hat{F}_0(t)$. Now observe that $V(\hat{F}_0(t), \hat{F}_2(t)) = V(F_0(t) + m(t)F_1(t), F_2(t))$ where $m(t) \in \mathbb{C}$ satisfying $m(0) = 0$. Hence we can define the family of polynomials as being $P_0(t) = F_0(t) + m(t)F_1(t)$, $P_1(t) = F_1(t)$ and $P_2(t) = F_2(t)$. This defines a family of mappings $(f_t)_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$: $\mathbb{P}^3 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$, and $V_a(t)$, $V_b(t)$ and $V_c(t)$ are fibers of f_t for fixed t . Observe that, for ϵ' sufficiently small, $(f_t)_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$ is generic in the sense of definition 3.2, and its indeterminacy locus $I(f_t)$ is precisely $I(t)$. Moreover, since $Gen(3, \nu, 1, \gamma)$ is open, we can suppose that this family $(f_t)_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$ is in $Gen(3, \nu, 1, \gamma)$. This concludes the proof of proposition 5.10. \square

We observe that this family can be considered also as a family of mappings $(\bar{f}_t)_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}} : \mathbb{P}^3 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$, where $\bar{f}_t = (P_0(t), F_1(t), F_2(t))$ where $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ denotes the weighted projective plane with weights $(\gamma, \gamma, 1)$. Moreover, using the map

$$\begin{aligned} f_w : \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2 &\rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2 \\ (x_0 : x_1 : x_2) &\rightarrow (x_0 : x_1 : x_2^\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

we can factorize f_t as being $f_t = f_w \circ \bar{f}_t$ as shown in the diagram below:

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \mathbb{P}^3 & \xrightarrow{f_t} & \mathbb{P}^2 \\ & \searrow \bar{f}_t & \nearrow f_w \\ & \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2 & \end{array}$$

Now we will prove that the remaining curves $V_\tau(t)$ are also fibers of f_t . In the local coordinates $X(t) = (x_0(t), x_1(t), x_2(t))$ near some point of $I(t)$ we have that the vector field S is diagonal and the components of the map f_t are written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (6.1) \quad P_0(t) &= u_{0t}x_0(t) + x_1(t)x_2(t)h_{0t} \\ P_1(t) &= u_{1t}x_1(t) + x_0(t)x_2(t)h_{1t} \\ P_2(t) &= u_{2t}x_2(t) + x_0(t)x_1(t)h_{2t} \end{aligned}$$

where the functions $u_{it} \in \mathcal{O}^*(\mathbb{C}^3, 0)$ and $h_{it} \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}^3, 0)$, $0 \leq i \leq 2$. Note that when the parameter t goes to 0 the functions $h_i(t)$, $0 \leq i \leq 2$ also goes to 0. We want to show that an orbit of the vector field S in the coordinate system $X(t)$ that extends globally like a singular curve of the foliation \mathcal{F}_t is a fiber of f_t .

Lemma 6.4. *Any generic orbit of the vector field S that extends globally as singular curve of the foliations \mathcal{F}_t is also a fiber of f_t for fixed t .*

Proof. To simplify the notation we will omit the index t . Let $\delta(s)$ be a generic orbit of the vector field S (here by a generic orbit we mean an orbit that is not a coordinate axis). We can parametrize $\delta(s)$ as $s \rightarrow (as^\gamma, bs^\gamma, cs)$, $a \neq 0, b \neq 0, c \neq 0$. Without loss of generality we can suppose that $a = b = c = 1$. We have

$$f_t(\delta(s)) = [(s^\gamma u_0 + s^{(1+\gamma)}h_0) : (s^\gamma u_1 + s^{(1+\gamma)}h_1) : (su_2 + s^{2\gamma}h_2)^\gamma].$$

Hence we can extract the factor s^γ from $f_t(\delta(s))$ and we obtain

$$(6.2) \quad f_t(\delta(s)) = [(u_0 + sh_0) : (u_1 + s^\gamma h_1) : (u_2 + s^{2\gamma}h_2)^\gamma].$$

Since V_τ is a fiber, $f_0(V_\tau) = [d : e : f] \in \mathbb{P}^2$ with $d \neq 0, e \neq 0, f \neq 0$. If we take a covering of $I(f) = \{p_1, \dots, p_{\frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}}\}$ by small open balls $B_j(p_j)$, $1 \leq j \leq \frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}$,

the set $V_\tau \setminus \cup_j B_j(p_j)$ is compact. For a small deformation f_t of f_0 we have that $f_t[V_\tau(t) \setminus \cup_j B_j(p_j)(t)]$ stays near $f[V_\tau \setminus \cup_j B_j(p_j)]$. Hence for t sufficiently small the components of expression 6.2 do not vanish both inside as well as outside of the neighborhood $\cup_j B_j(p_j)(t)$.

This implies that the components of f_t do not vanish along each generic fiber that extends locally as a singular curve of the foliation \mathcal{F}_t . This is possible only if f_t is constant along these curves. In fact, $f_t(V_\tau(t))$ is either a curve or a point. If it is a curve then it cuts all lines of \mathbb{P}^2 and therefore the components should be zero somewhere. Hence $f_t(V_\tau(t))$ is constant and we conclude that $V_\tau(t)$ is a fiber.

Observe also that when we make a blow-up with weights $(\gamma, \gamma, 1)$ at the points of $I(f_t)$ we solve completely the indeterminacy points of the mappings f_t for each t . \square

6.1.2. *Part 2.* Let us now define a family of foliations $(\mathcal{G}_t)_{t \in D_\epsilon}$, $\mathcal{G}_t \in \mathcal{A}$ (see Section 4) such that $\mathcal{F}_t = f_t^*(\mathcal{G}_t)$ for all $t \in D_\epsilon$. Firstly we consider the case $n = 3$. Instead of utilize the foliation \mathcal{F} obtained as the foliation $f^*\mathcal{G}$, the idea that we will utilize in this part of the proof is to consider \mathcal{F} on \mathbb{P}^n defined as the foliation pull-back foliation from \mathbb{P}^n to $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{f} : \mathbb{P}^n &\rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]} \\ \bar{f}^* \eta &\rightarrow \eta. \end{aligned}$$

once they define the same foliation. Let $M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t)$ be the family of “complex algebraic threefolds” obtained from \mathbb{P}^3 by blowing-up with weights $(\gamma, \gamma, 1)$ at the $\frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}$ points $p_1(t), \dots, p_j(t), \dots, p_{\frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}}(t)$ corresponding to $I(t)$ of \mathcal{F}_t ; and denote by

$$\pi_w(t) : M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^3$$

the blowing-up map. The exceptional divisor of $\pi_w(t)$ consists of $\frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}$ orbifolds $E_j(t) = \pi_w(t)^{-1}(p_j(t))$, $1 \leq j \leq \frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}$, which are weighted projective planes of the type $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$. More precisely, if we blow-up \mathcal{F}_t at the point $p_j(t)$, then the restriction of the strict transform $\pi_w^* \mathcal{F}_t$ to the exceptional divisor $E_j(t) = \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ is the same quasi-homogeneous 1-form that defines \mathcal{F}_t at the point $p_j(t)$. Using the map

$$\begin{aligned} f_w : \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2 &\rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2 \\ (x_0 : x_1 : x_2) &\rightarrow (x_0 : x_1 : x_2^\gamma) \end{aligned}$$

it follows that we can push-forward the foliation to \mathbb{P}^2 . Let us denote by $\mathbb{F}ol'_2[d', 2, (\gamma, \gamma, 1)]$ the set of $\{\hat{\mathcal{G}}\}$ saturated foliations of degree $d' = \gamma(d+1) + 1$ on $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ with one invariant line in general position and $Il_1(d, 2)$ the subsets of saturated foliations with an invariant line in \mathbb{P}^2 respectively. The mapping $f_w : \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{P}^2$ induces a natural isomorphism $(f_w)_* : Il_1(d, 2) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}ol'_2[d', 2, (\gamma, \gamma, 1)]$. With this process in mind we produce a family of holomorphic foliations in $\mathcal{A} \subset Il_1(d, 2)$. This family is the “holomorphic path” of candidates to be a deformation of \mathcal{G}_0 . In fact, since $(\mathcal{A}' = f_w)_*(\mathcal{A})$ is an open set inside $\mathbb{F}ol'_2[d', 2, (\gamma, \gamma, 1)]$ we can suppose that this family is inside \mathcal{A} . Hence using the mapping f_{w*} we can transport holomorphic from \mathcal{A} to \mathcal{A}' and vice-versa.

We fix the exceptional divisor $E_1(t)$ to work with and we denote by $\hat{\mathcal{G}}_t \in \mathcal{A}'$ the restriction of $\pi_w^* \mathcal{F}_t$ to $E_1(t)$. As we have seen, this process produces foliations in \mathcal{A}' up to a linear automorphism of $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$. Consider the family of mappings

$\bar{f}_t : \mathbb{P}^3 \dashrightarrow \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$, $t \in D_{\epsilon'}$ defined in Proposition 6.1. We will consider the family $(\bar{f}_t)_{t \in D_{\epsilon'}}$ as a family of rational maps $\bar{f}_t : \mathbb{P}^3 \dashrightarrow E_1(t)$; we decrease ϵ if necessary. Note that the map

$$\bar{f}_t \circ \pi_w(t) : M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \setminus \cup_j E_j(t) \rightarrow E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$$

extends holomorphically, that is, as an orbifold mapping, to

$$\hat{f}_t : M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \rightarrow E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2.$$

This is due to the fact that each orbit of the vector field S_t determines an equivalence class in $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ and is a fiber of the map

$$(x_0(t), x_1(t), x_2(t)) \rightarrow (x_0(t), x_1(t), x_2^\gamma(t)).$$

The mapping \bar{f}_t can be interpreted as follows. Each fiber of \bar{f}_t meets $p_j(t)$ once, which implies that each fiber of \hat{f}_t cuts $E_1(t)$ once outside of the singular line in $[M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \cap E_1(t)]$. Since $M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \setminus \cup_j E_j(t)$ is biholomorphic to $\mathbb{P}^3 \setminus I(t)$, after identifying $E_1(t)$ with $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$, we can imagine that if $q \in M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \setminus \cup_j E_j(t)$ then $\hat{f}_t(q)$ is the intersection point of the fiber $\hat{f}_t^{-1}(\hat{f}_t(q))$ with $E_1(t)$. We obtain a mapping

$$\hat{f}_t : M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2.$$

It can be extended over the singular set of $M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t)$ using Riemann's Extension Theorem. This is due to the fact that the orbifold $M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t)$ has singular set of codimension 2 and these singularities are of the quotient type; therefore it is a normal complex space. We shall also denote this extension by \hat{f}_t to simplify the notation. We remark that the blowing-up with weights $(\gamma, \gamma, 1)$ can completely solve the indeterminacy set of \bar{f}_t or f_t for each t as the reader can check. With all these ingredients we can define the foliation $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t = \bar{f}_t^*(\hat{\mathcal{G}}_t) = f_t^*(\mathcal{G}_t) \in PB(\Gamma - 1, \nu, 1, 1, \gamma)$. This foliation is a deformation of \mathcal{F}_0 . Based on the previous discussion let us denote $\mathcal{F}_1(t) = \pi_w(t)^*(\mathcal{F}_t)$ and $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_1(t) = \pi_w(t)^*(\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t)$.

Lemma 6.5. *If $\mathcal{F}_1(t)$ and $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_1(t)$ are the foliations defined previously, we have that*

$$\mathcal{F}_1(t)|_{E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2} = \hat{\mathcal{G}}_t = \hat{\mathcal{F}}_1(t)|_{E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2}$$

where $\hat{\mathcal{G}}_t$ is the foliation induced on $E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ by the quasi-homogeneous 1-form $\eta_{p_1(t)}$.

Proof. In a neighborhood of $p_1(t) \in I(t)$, \mathcal{F}_t is represented by the quasi-homogeneous 1-form $\eta_{p_1(t)}$. This 1-form satisfies $i_{S_t} \eta_{p_1(t)} = 0$ and therefore naturally defines a foliation on the weighted projective space $E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$. This proves the first equality. The second equality follows from the geometrical interpretation of the mapping $\hat{f}_t : M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$, since $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_1(t) = \hat{f}_t^*(\hat{\mathcal{G}}_t)$. \square

Now we choose an affine chart of the space $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$. This affine chart is biholomorphic to \mathbb{C}^2 . In this affine chart for each t the foliation $(\hat{\mathcal{G}}_t)$ has d^2 singular points.

Let $\tau_1(t)$ be a singularity of $\hat{\mathcal{G}}_t$ outside of the line at infinity. Since the map $t \rightarrow \tau_1(t) \in \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ is holomorphic, there exists a holomorphic family of automorphisms of $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$, $t \rightarrow H(t)$ such that $\tau_1(t) = [0 : 0 : 1] \in E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ is kept fixed. Observe that such a singularity has non algebraic separatrices at this point. Fix

a local analytic coordinate system (x_t, y_t) at $\tau_1(t)$ such that the local separatrices are $(x_t = 0)$ and $(y_t = 0)$, respectively. Here we are considering the affine chart of $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ which is biholomorphic to \mathbb{C}^2 . This is useful because the foliations \mathcal{G}_t and $\hat{\mathcal{G}}_t$ in this local coordinates are at least biholomorphic equivalents. Observe that the local smooth hypersurfaces along $\hat{V}_{\tau_1(t)} = \hat{f}_t^{-1}(\tau_1(t))$ defined by $\hat{X}_t := (x_t \circ \hat{f}_t = 0)$ and $\hat{Y}_t := (y_t \circ \hat{f}_t = 0)$ are invariant for $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_1(t)$. Furthermore, they meet transversely along $\hat{V}_{\tau_1(t)}$. On the other hand, $\hat{V}_{\tau_1(t)}$ is also contained in the Kupka set of $\mathcal{F}_1(t)$. Therefore there are two local smooth hypersurfaces $X_t := (x_t \circ \hat{f}_t = 0)$ and $Y_t := (y_t \circ \hat{f}_t = 0)$ invariant for $\mathcal{F}_1(t)$ such that:

- (1) X_t and Y_t meet transversely along $\hat{V}_{\tau_1(t)}$.
- (2) $X_t \cap \pi_w(t)^{-1}(p_1(t)) = (x_t = 0) = \hat{X}_t \cap \pi_w(t)^{-1}(p_1(t))$ and $Y_t \cap \pi_w(t)^{-1}(p_1(t)) = (y_t = 0) = \hat{Y}_t \cap \pi_w(t)^{-1}(p_1(t))$ (because $\mathcal{F}_1(t)$ and $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_1(t)$ coincide on $E_1(t) \simeq \mathbb{P}^2$).
- (3) X_t and Y_t are deformations of $X_0 = \hat{X}_0$ and $Y_0 = \hat{Y}_0$, respectively.

Lemma 6.6. $X_t = \hat{X}_t$ for small t .

Proof. Let us consider the projection $\hat{f}_t : M_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}(t) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ on a neighborhood of the regular fibre $\hat{V}_{\tau_1(t)}$, and fix local coordinates x_t, y_t on $\mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ such that $X_t := (x_t \circ \hat{f}_t = 0)$. For small ϵ , let $H_\epsilon = (y_t \circ \hat{f}_t = \epsilon)$. Thus $\hat{\Sigma}_\epsilon = \hat{X}_t \cap H_\epsilon$ are (vertical) compact curves, deformations of $\hat{\Sigma}_0 = \hat{V}_{\tau_1(t)}$. Set $\Sigma_\epsilon = X_t \cap H_\epsilon$. The Σ'_ϵ s, as the $\hat{\Sigma}'_\epsilon$ s, are compact curves (for t and ϵ small), since X_t and \hat{X}_t are both deformations of the same X_0 . Thus for small t , X_t is close to \hat{X}_t . It follows that $\hat{f}_t(\Sigma_\epsilon)$ is an analytic curve contained in a small neighborhood of $\tau_1(t)$, for small ϵ . By the maximum principle, we must have that $\hat{f}_t(\Sigma_\epsilon)$ is a point, so that $\hat{f}_t(X_t) = \hat{f}_t(\cup_\epsilon \Sigma_\epsilon)$ is a curve C , that is, $X_t = \hat{f}_t^{-1}(C)$. But X_t and \hat{X}_t intersect the exceptional divisor $E_1(t) = \mathbb{P}_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}^2$ along the separatrix $(x_t = 0)$ of \mathcal{G}_t through $\tau_1(t)$. This implies that $X_t = \hat{f}_t^{-1}(C) = \hat{f}_t^{-1}(x_t = 0) = \hat{X}_t$. \square

We have proved that the foliations \mathcal{F}_t and $\hat{\mathcal{F}}_t$ have a common local leaf: the leaf that contains $\pi_w(t) \left(X_t \setminus \hat{V}_{\tau_1(t)} \right)$ which is not algebraic. Let $D(t) := \text{Tang}(\mathcal{F}(t), \hat{\mathcal{F}}(t))$ be the set of tangencies between $\mathcal{F}(t)$ and $\hat{\mathcal{F}}(t)$. This set can be defined by $D(t) = \{Z \in \mathbb{C}^4; \Omega(t) \wedge \hat{\Omega}(t) = 0\}$, where $\Omega(t)$ and $\hat{\Omega}(t)$ define $\mathcal{F}(t)$ and $\hat{\mathcal{F}}(t)$, respectively. Hence it is an algebraic set. Since this set contains an immersed non-algebraic surface X_t , we necessarily have that $D(t) = \mathbb{P}^3$. This proves Theorem B in the case $n = 3$.

Suppose now that $n \geq 4$. The previous argument implies that if Υ is a generic 3-plane in \mathbb{P}^n , we have $\mathcal{F}(t)|_\Upsilon = \hat{\mathcal{F}}(t)|_\Upsilon$. In fact, such planes cut transversely every strata of the singular set, and $I(t)$ consists of $\frac{\nu^3}{\gamma}$ points. This implies that f_t is generic for $|t|$ sufficiently small. We can then repeat the previous argument, finishing the proof of Theorem A.

Recall from Definition 2.2 the concept of a generic map. Let $f \in \text{BRM}(n, \nu, 1, 1, \gamma)$, $I(f)$ its indeterminacy locus and \mathcal{F} a foliation on \mathbb{P}^n , $n \geq 3$. Consider the following properties:

\mathcal{P}_1 : If $n=3$, at any point $p_j \in I(f)$ \mathcal{F} has the following local structure: there exists an analytic coordinate system (U^{p_j}, Z^{p_j}) around p_j such that $Z^{p_j}(p_j) = 0 \in (\mathbb{C}^3, 0)$ and $\mathcal{F}|_{(U^{p_j}, Z^{p_j})}$ can be represented by a quasi-homogeneous 1-form η_{p_j} (as described in the Lemma 5.7) such that

- (a) $\text{Sing}(d\eta_{p_j}) = 0$,
- (b) 0 is a quasi-homogeneous singularity of the type $[\gamma : \gamma : 1]$.

If $n \geq 4$, \mathcal{F} has a local structure product: the situation for $n=3$ “times” a regular foliation in \mathbb{C}^{n-3} .

\mathcal{P}_2 : There exists a fibre $f^{-1}(q) = V(q)$ such that $V(q) = f^{-1}(q) \setminus I(f)$ is contained in the Kupka-Set of \mathcal{F} and $V(q)$ is not contained in $(F_2 = 0)$.

\mathcal{P}_3 : $V(q)$ has transversal type X , where X is a germ of vector field on $(\mathbb{C}^2, 0)$ with a non algebraic separatrix and such that $0 \in \mathbb{C}^2$ is a non-degenerate singularity with eigenvalues λ_1 and λ_2 , $\frac{\lambda_2}{\lambda_1} \notin \mathbb{R}$.

Lemma 6.6 allows us to prove the following results:

Theorem B. *In the conditions above, if properties \mathcal{P}_1 , \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 hold then \mathcal{F} is a pull back foliation, $\mathcal{F} = f^*(\mathcal{G})$, where \mathcal{G} is of degree $d \geq 2$ on \mathbb{P}^2 with one invariant line.*

Let us denote by $\mathbb{F}ol'_2[d', 2, (\gamma, \gamma, 1)]$ the set of $\{\hat{\mathcal{G}}\}$ saturated foliations of degree d' on $\mathbb{P}^2_{[\gamma, \gamma, 1]}$ with one invariant line. According to this notation the previous Theorem can be re-written as:

Theorem C. *In the conditions above, if properties \mathcal{P}_1 , \mathcal{P}_2 and \mathcal{P}_3 hold then \mathcal{F} is a pull back foliation, $\mathcal{F} = \bar{f}^*(\hat{\mathcal{G}})$, where $\hat{\mathcal{G}} \in \mathbb{F}ol'_2[d', 2, (\gamma, \gamma, 1)]$*

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